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PATENT
Docket No. 150.00640102IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant(s): Eugene P. Marsh)	Group Art Unit:	2815
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Serial No.: 09/942,200)	Examiner:	J. Nguyen
Confirmation No.: 8194)		
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Filed: 29 August 2001)		
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For: DIFFUSION BARRIER LAYERS AND METHODS OF FORMING SAME)		

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action of November 10, 2005, please amend the above-identified application as follows (note that a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) is being concurrently filed):

Amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on the page entitled "Amendments to the Claims."

Remarks begin on the page entitled "Remarks."